

ADDENDUM TO THE PROCLAMATION OF AN ERADICATION PROJECT
REGARDING THE MELON FLY

On August 28, 2010, two melon flies (ML) were detected in the city of Arvin, Kern County. These ML detections are approximately 1.5 miles south of previous melon fly detection sites. Based on the proximity in time and distance to the previous detections, these ML detections represent an expansion of the known infested zone. The location of these ML detections require that the treatment zone be expanded by 5.4 square miles. The total area for the treatment zone including the expansion will be 15.0 square miles.

The PEP dated August 13, 2010 was based upon set forth in Section 3591.15 of Title 3 of the California Code of Regulations, Sections 401.5, 403, 407, 408, 5321-5323 and especially 5761-5763 of the Food and Agricultural Code.

CDFA has prepared and certified a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) entitled "The Exotic Fruit Fly Eradication Program Utilizing Male Annihilation and Allied Methods," that is implemented as per the operations described above. This FEIR addresses the eradication of exotic fruit fly pests at the program level and provides guidance for the conduct of future emergency actions against these pests. It identifies feasible alternatives and feasible mitigation measures to be implemented in individual exotic fruit fly pest eradication emergencies. I have, to the extent feasible, incorporated the mitigation measures as described in the EIR. In accordance with Section 21105 of the Public Resources Code, this FEIR has been filed with the appropriate local planning agency of all affected cities and counties. I detected no local condition which would justify or necessitate preparation of a site specific plan.

Specific program activities are found in the PEP dated August 13, 2010, with attachments, which includes the ML work plan. This document is available upon request. A map of the treatment zone is attached.

If you have specific questions related to this program, please contact the CDFA Pest Hotline at (800) 491-1899.